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(B 11 '79.) BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, 52, 53 & 54 N. Y. MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,

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To all whom it may Concern:

The Bell Telephone Company claims that Prof. A. Graham Bell was the inventor of the Speaking Telephone and that he has been so adjudged by every scientific body that has considered the question, and the Company has brought suits to protect this invention.

The Bell Telephone Company also denies that Mr. Gray was the inventor of the Speaking Telephone, or of any part thereof, and refers to Mr. Gray's repeated admission of this fact.

The Bell Telephone Company will protect its customers in the use of Telephones rented by it against any proceedings which may be brought against them for infringement, and, upon notice and request of such customers, will assume the defence of such proceedings and all expenses incident thereto.

BELL TELEPHONE CO.